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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

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- The oath or declaration is missing.

 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION mailed on 10/01/2001. Part 2 of that form is enclosed.

No original declaration or oath was filed and enclosed in the original filing for this application. The above-identified application is the application, which the inventors executed by signing the one (1) enclosed Combined Declaration and Petition.

The residences for inventors are: Eva S. Snitkin, Minneapolis, Minnesota; John W. Westrum, Jr., Prior Lake, Minnesota; and James E. Cabak, Plymouth, Minnesota.

Formal drawings (7 pages) for the Examiner's consideration are also enclosed.

Please charge the fee of \$130.00 provided in 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) to Deposit Account No. 501921. Please also charge any additional required fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501921. One copy of this sheet marked DUPLICATE is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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